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**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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(Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.3. ☒ Specification Total Pages 214. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) Total Sheets 65. ☒ Oath or Declaration Total Pages 2a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 17 completed)i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
Signed Statement attached deleting  
inventor(s) named in the prior application, see  
37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).6. ☒ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76  
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7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer  
Program (Appendix)8. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission  
(if applicable, all necessary)a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)

b. Specification Sequence Listing on:

i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); orii. ☐ paperc. ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copies**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of Attorney  
(when there is an assignee)11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)12. ☒ Information Disclosure ☐ Copies of IDS  
Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations13. ☒ Preliminary Amendment14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
(Should be specifically itemized)15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)  
(if foreign priority is claimed)16. ☒ Other: Claim To Priority

17. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information:



Continuation



Divisional

Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No. 09/449,968, filed November 26, 1999

Prior application information:

Examiner D. Tran Group/Art Unit: 2624For CONTINUATION OR DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is  
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	TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(c))	7 -20 =	0	X \$ 18.00 =	\$ 0.00
	INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b))	5 -3 =	0	X \$ 86.00 =	\$ 176.00
	MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) (37 CFR 1.16(d))			\$290.00 =	\$ 0.00
				BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16(a))	\$ 176.00
			Total of above Calculations =		\$ 946.00
	Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (Note 37 CFR 1.9, 1.27, 1.28).				
	TOTAL =				\$ 946.00

19. Small entity status

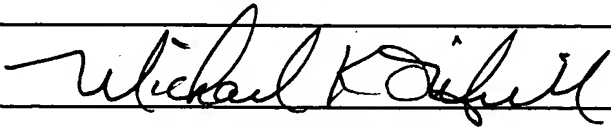
- a. ☐ A small entity statement is enclosed
- b. ☐ A small entity statement was filed in the prior nonprovisional application and such status is still proper and desired.
- c. ☐ Is no longer claimed.

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